IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

DAVITA M. KEY,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) Case No. 2:19-CV-767-ECM
HYUNDAI MOTOR MANUFACTURING, ALABAMA, LLC; HYUNDAI ENG AMERICA, INC.; and DYNAMIC SECURITY, INC.)))))
Defendants.)

PLAINTIFF'S WITNESS LIST

Exhibit C – Deposition of Hyundai Motor Manufacturing's 30(b)(6) Deponent (Robert Burns)

Case	Key Depositions - Trial	
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Ì	009:08 - 010:01	009:08		Will you please state your full name
ļ		09	for the r	ecord?
		10	A.	Full name, Robert Anthony Burns.
		11	Q.	Who is your employer?
		12	A.	Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama.
		13	Q.	And I notice on your shirt there's
		14	something	that has the logo Hyundai, and it says
		15	Hyundai.	To whom does that refer?
		16	A.	That refers to, again, Hyundai Motor
		17	Manufactu	ring Alabama.
		18	Q.	What does HMMA do?
		19	Α.	HMMA is an automotive assembly plant
		20	that prod	uces vehicles for the North American
		21	market.	
		22	Q.	Where is it located?
		23	Α.	In Montgomery, Alabama at 700 Hyundai
		010:01	Boulevard	
	010:07 - 011:09	010:07	lot of Hy	undais, so I'm going to try and use
		08	reference	to Hyundai Motor Manufacturing America
		09	as HMMA.	Can we agree to that?
		10	Α.	Well, Hyundai Motor Manufacturing
		11	Alabama.	
		12	Q.	Alabama. And it would be HMMA?
		13	Α.	That is correct.
		14	Q.	What is the size of the HMMA campus
		15	or facili	ty?
		16	Α.	Okay. So the campus represents
		17	seventeen	hundred acres of land. About
		18	thirty-tw	o million square feet of under roof,
		19	yeah.	
		20	Q.	What have been your dates of
		21	employmen	t with HMMA?
		22	Α.	From April 2007 to present.
		23	Q.	What is your current job title?
		011:01	Α.	I am chief administrative officer and
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		04	roles?
			A. In the chief administrative officer
		05	role since July 2021.
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			Q. How long have you been the
		08	vice-president of HR administration? A. Since October of 2018.
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3	012:12 - 013:09	012:12	Q. What do you do as chief
		13	administrative officer?
		14	A. I'm responsible for all the
		15	administration functions at Hyundai Motor
		16	Manufacturing Alabama, which includes HR, general
		17	affairs, which is facilities management,
		18	cafeteria, restaurant I'm sorry restrooms,
		19	team relations, public relations, and then also
		20	environment, health and safety.
		21	Q. What is team relations?
		22	A. That is a function that serves as a
		23	liaison for the company to address any issues
		013:01	that may come up with the team members' concern
		02	about policies or procedures.
		03	Q. What do you do as vice-president
		04	human resources administration?
		05	A. Again, primarily, I oversee those
		06	functions I just mentioned and manage that team,
		07	which has a variety of heads of departments that
		08	are responsible for those functions. So lead the
		09	strategies and manage the processes.
4	015:23 - 016:04	015:23	Q. What is the relationship between
		016:01	Hyundai Motor Company and HMMA?
		02	A. HMMA is a I guess we'll say it's
		03	an LLC of that larger company that was formed in
		04	Delaware.
5	016:10 - 016:15	016:10	Q. Okay. What relationship, if any,
		11	exists between Hyundai Motor Company and Hyundai
		12	Engineering America, Inc., or HEA?
		13	A. HEA is a contractor employed by
		14	Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama to provide
		15	various services as defined in their contract.
6	017:06 - 017:11	017:06	Q. Do you have any knowledge as to
	017.00	07	whether there's any type of ownership
		08	relationship between HEA and Hyundai Motor
		09	Company?
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		10	A. No, I don't have any clear knowledge
		11	on that relationship.
7	025:09 - 025:12	025:09	Q. And you understand the testimony
		10	today, you're giving on behalf of HMMA as the
		11	voice of the company?
		12	A. Yes, I understand that.
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8	028:22 - 029:05	028:22	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Did you meet with
		23	counsel to prepare for your deposition?
		029:01	A. Yes, I did.
		02	Q. When did you meet with counsel?
		03	A. Yesterday.
		04	Q. Approximately how long?
		05	A. Three hours.
9	029:15 - 029:23	029:15	Q. Okay. Do you feel adequately
		16	prepared to testify today?
		17	A. I do feel adequately prepared to
		18	testify today.
		19	Q. Have you ever given a deposition
		20	before?
		21	A. Yes, I have.
		22	Q. How many times?
		23	A. I believe three times before today.
10	037:06 - 037:09	037:06	If you don't understand one of my
		07	questions, will you either let me know or ask me
		08	to rephrase it?
		09	A. Yes, I will.
11	040:21 - 042:21	040:21	Q. Okay. What is Plaintiff's Exhibit 2?
		22	A. Plaintiff's Exhibit 2 is the contract
		23	for services between Hyundai Motor Manufacturing
		041:01	Alabama, LLC and Hyundai AMOCO America, Inc.
		02	Dated February 4th, 2013.
		03	Q. What are the dates this contract was
		04	active?
		05	A. Let's see here. I believe it's on
		06	the fourth page. I probably went right by it,
		07	because it's all small print. There it is. I
		08	knew I went right by it.
		09	So the dates on Page Number 4 of the
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		10	document is February 4th, 2013, terminating
		11	February 3rd, 2015, with an optional third year
		12	at HMMA's discretion.

		13	Q. Was Plaintiff's Exhibit 2 in effect
		14	in July and August of 2017?
		15	A. While the document says option third
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		17	understanding that they continued to apply or
			operate under the conditions of the contract
			until the new contract was established at a later
			date.
		21	Q. When was that new contract
		22	established?
		23	A. I don't have a firm date in front of
		042:01	me, so I can't answer that question.
		02	Q. Is that new contract the contract
		03	that is currently in place?
		04	A. No. There's a different contract in
		05	place to support the security services through
		06	Hyundai Engineering.
		07	Q. But you don't know when that contract
		08	went into place?
		09	A. I do not. I don't have that
		10	information.
		11	Q. Do you know what, if anything, is
		12	different between the current contract and
		13	Plaintiff's Exhibit 2?
		14	A. No, because I don't have that
		15	document to be able to refer to. I do not.
		16	Q. Even though the language of Exhibit 2
		17	provides that this contract would expire as late
		18	as 2016, you said you had an understanding that
		19	HEA and HMMA were operating under the conditions
		20	of this contract in 2017. How did you come to
		21	have that understanding?
12	043:12 - 045:07	043:12	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) How would HMMA
		13	have the understanding that HEA and HMMA were
İ		14	operating under the terms of this contract in
1		15	2017?
1		16	A. Because to the best of my knowledge,
1		17	because I've been at the facility, you know, I
1		18	was working at the facility at that time, that
		19	the security and/or contract services were still
		20	being provided.
		21	Q. Are there any documents that reflect

		22	that this contract was either extended or that
		23	the parties agreed to continue to operate under
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		044:01	its terms despite its explicit expiration through the language of the contract?
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		04	information other than possibly invoices or what
		05	have you that show they were still being billed
		06	for the services.
		07	Q. Do you know if there's been any
		08	search for any documents that would reflect this
		09	contract remained in effect in 2017?
		10	A. I'm not aware of a specific search,
		11	no.
		12	Q. Other than the fact that there were
		13	security services being provided in 2017, is
		14	there anything that shows that there was an
		15	agreement between and/or among HMMA, HEA to
		16	provide security services in 2017?
		17	A. Again, just based on the document in
		18	front of me and the fact that the service was
		19	continued to be provided, there must have been
		20	some degree of understanding to continue to
		21	provide those services under the contract that's
		22	dated in this exhibit.
		23	Q. Is it HMMA's position that this
		045:01	contract and its terms were still applicable in
		02	2017 despite its expiration through the language
		03	of the contract?
		04	A. That is my understanding, because,
		05	again, the services were continuing to be
		06	provided, and they billed HMMA accordingly was my
		07	understanding.
13	045:12 - 046:11	045:12	Can you think of any reason that HMMA
		13	would contend that the terms of this contract
		14	were not in effect in 2017?
		15	A. At this point, I cannot.
		16	Q. What and you say at this point.
		17	What could change to where that position would
		18	change?
		19	A. If some other information came to
		20	light. But I'm going to say based on the
		21	information provided to me, that this document
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		22	was considered to be the guides to be able to
		23	continue to provide the services.
		046:01	Q. And in preparing for your deposition
		02	today, you knew that one of the questions that
		03	you would be presented with would have been that
		04	the dates that this contract was active, correct?
		05	A. Yes, that is correct.
		06	Q. So in terms of preparing to know
		07	whether or not we could rely on the terms of this
		08	contract for 2017, your preparation would have
		09	included knowing whether the terms of this
		10	contract applied in 2017?
		11	A. That is correct, yeah.
14	046:16 - 047:01	046:16	Q. Are there any other documents
		17	clarifying the terms to reflect this contract as
		18	it existed in July or August of 2017?
		19	A. Not that I'm aware of.
		20	Q. Is there anything missing from
		21	Plaintiff's Exhibit 2 that was contained in the
		22	agreement between Hyundai Motor Manufacturing and
		23	HEA?
		047:01	A. Not that I'm aware of.
15	048:07 - 049:19	048:07	Q. So HMMA prepared Plaintiff's Exhibit
		08	2, and that's yes?
		09	A. Yes. That is yes.
		10	Q. The contract says it's between HMMA
		11	and Hyundai AMOCO America, Inc. Who or what is
		12	Hyundai AMOCO America, Inc.?
		13	A. Hyundai AMOCO America, Inc. is a
		14	company that currently, I think, is referred to
		15	as Hyundai Auto Hyundai Engineering.
		16	Q. Is it your understanding then that
		17	Hyundai AMOCO America, Inc. is the same as HEA?
		18	A. That is my understanding, yes.
		19	MR. MILLER: Object to the form.
		20	Q. So even though HEA is not identified
		21	by name in Plaintiff's Exhibit 2, it is HMMA's
		22	understanding that Plaintiff's Exhibit 2 applied
		23	to HEA?
		049:01	A. Yes.
		02	Q. And this is a contract for services.
		03	What are those services?
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		04	A. The contract specifies security
		05	services in this case.
		06	Q. And what are security services?
		07	A. Items including having manpower at
		08	gates to control access to the facility, having,
		09	I guess, personnel in our security building to be
		10	able to clear individuals to receive badges to
		11	access our facility, and also mailroom services.
		12	I believe that covers all the big, larger
		13	scope of the services.
		14	Q. Do you know why HMMA chose to
		15	contract for these services rather than hiring
		16	people directly to provide them?
		17	A. No, I'm not part of that
		18	decision-making process, so no. I don't know
		19	exactly why they chose to go that route.
16	053:06 - 055:08	053:06	Q. If you can turn to Page 4 of the
		07	document or Page 4 of the contract or Bates
		08	Number HMMA 16.
		09	A. Okay. I'm looking at that page now.
		10	Q. Okay. Below the section that says
		11	witness, the first whereas clause reads:
		12	Whereas, HMMA owns and operates a
		13	state-of-the-art motor vehicle manufacturing
		14	facility, herein the project, on approximately
		15	one thousand seven hundred forty-four acres of
		16	land in Montgomery, Alabama (herein the site).
		17	With respect to that, is that site
		18	the location where Ms. Key would have performed
		19	work?
		20	A. Yes. It was on the site of Hyundai
		21	Motor Manufacturing Alabama or HMMA.
		22	Q. The next whereas clause reads:
		23	Whereas, HMMA desires to engage contractor to
		054:01	perform services in connection with the project
		02	and contractor desires to perform such services.
		03	My question is: What is the project
		04	identified in this whereas clause?
		05	A. As I'm reading this, I would term the
		06	site is equivalent to being the project, because
		07	it's the place where we build vehicles.
		08	Q. So what is the project with which the
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		09	contractor is being contracted to perform?
		10	A. In this particular contract, it's for
		11	security services.
		12	Q. And so when it says I guess I
		13	want to make sure it's clear, because I guess I'm
		14	probably asking this in probably too minute a
		15	way, but it basically says HMMA is wants to
		16	hire the contractor to perform services in
		17	connection with the project.
		18	Is the project the overall production
		19	of cars or something else?
		20	A. I think what the way I interpret
		21	it is that they're providing services at the site
		22	where vehicles are being built, which happens
		23	the project being where the site where the
		055:01	vehicles are being built.
		02	Q. And the services that are going to be
		03	provided by HEA are in connection with that
		04	project of the vehicles being built, it's to help
		05	further that
		06	A. I keep going back to they're
		07	providing the services at the site where the
		08	vehicles are being built.
17	055:14 - 055:17	055:14	And so that's ultimately what my
		15	question is: What is that project?
		16	A. I see it as providing services at the
		17	location where the vehicles are being built.
18	057:17 - 058:08	057:17	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD: Mr. Burns, is it
		18	HMMA's position that in 2017, HEA was performing
		19	services under Plaintiff's Exhibit 2?
		20	A. Based on the document in front of me,
		21	which is between Hyundai AMOCO America, Inc. and
		22	Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama.
		23	Q. That doesn't answer my question. My
		058:01	question is: Is it HMMA's position in this
		02	lawsuit that in 2017, HEA was performing services
1		03	for HMMA pursuant to this contract?
		04	A. I'm going to say
		05	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: We would stipulate
		06	that that's Hyundai's position, HMMA's position,
		07	that in 2017, we had an agreement with HEA to
		08	provide security services.

19	062:01 - 064:02	062:01	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Well, let's go
		02	back to Section Number 1. Does Section Number 1
		03	define the services that HMMA expected HEA to
		04	provide in 2017?
		05	A. Yes, it does reflect the security
		06	services required.
		07	Q. While the document spells it out more
		08	fully, can we agree that Section 1 essentially
		09	says that it's HEA's responsibility to deliver
		10	workers to the locations described in the
		11	contract by HMMA to provide security services?
		12	A. To Hyundai AMOCO's requirement, yes,
		13	at that time.
		14	Q. And so in 2017, per this contract,
		15	HMMA would have expected HEA to deliver workers
		16	to the locations described by HMMA?
		17	A. Yes.
		18	Q. In Section 1, when we go to the end
		19	of the third line, it reads: The scope of work
		20	included within the services may be amended only
		21	by written directive from HMMA to contractor.
		22	Are there any documents that reflect
		23	an amendment to the scope of work included within
		063:01	the services?
		02	A. Not that I'm aware of.
		03	Q. Do you know if the scope of work was
		04	ever amended without a written directive?
		05	A. Not that I'm aware of.
		06	Q. The next sentence reads: The
		07	services shall be performed by qualified
		08	employees or subcontractors of contractor in
		09	compliance with HMMA's requests and instructions
		10	at such time so as not to interfere with HMMA's
		11	business operations. Who made the determination as to
		13	who made the determination as to whether employees were qualified?
		14	A. The scope of work. I'll double
		15	check. Yes, I'm double checking.
		16	The scope of work includes the list
		17	of summary of services, specifications for each
		18	one of the jobs, et cetera, et cetera. So those
		19	details is what determined whether someone was
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		21	O So the term specified by HMMA in the
			Q. So the term specified by HMMA in the
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		23	or subcontractor?
		064:01	A. As provided by the scope of work,
		02	yes.
20	066:19 - 067:02	066:19	Q. Do you know if HMMA has made a
		20	determination as to whether HEA has any
		21	obligation or responsibility to it to pay for any
		22	damages HMMA may have suffered as a result of
		23	this lawsuit?
		067:01	A. I'm not aware of any determination at
		02	this time, no, I am not.
21	068:09 - 069:15	068:09	Q. Okay. We can go to the next page,
		10	which is Page 6 of the contract or Bates Number
		11	HMMA 18.
		12	A. Okay. I'm on Page 6.
		13	Q. Okay. I want to look first at
		14	Section 6.4. In this, it reads: Contractor
		15	represents and warrants to HMMA that it will
		16	perform background checks on all of the employees
		17	and subcontractors and will comply fully with
		18	HMMA's supplier/contractor badge policy, which is
		19	attached hereto as Attachment 6.4, including all
		20	employees of any subcontractors utilized by
		21	contractor.
		22	Contractor agrees that it shall not
		23	employ any employees or subcontract or any
		069:01	subcontractors whose presence on HMMA's property
		02	is objected to by HMMA.
		03	Under this provision, does HMMA have
		04	the authority and ability to remove from service
		05	anybody that HEA or any of its contractors placed
		06	on HMMA's property?
		07	A. Yeah, we do have the discretion to
		08	ask for individuals to be removed from property,
		09	yes, we do.
		10	Q. And the contract and the terms of it
		11	that HEA was operating under in 2017 provided in
		12	Section 6.4 that HEA could direct HEA in 2017,
		13	HMMA could direct HEA to remove somebody it had
		14	placed on the property, correct?
		15	A. That is correct.
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22	081:19 - 082:11	081:19	Does this contract require HEA to
		20	carry employment practices liability insurance?
		21	A. Yes.
		22	Q. What proof, if any, did HEA provide
		23	to HMMA that it was carrying employment practices
		082:01	liability insurance that would apply to events in
		02	2017?
		03	A. All I can say is that in order for
		04	the contractor, HEA or Hyundai AMOCO, to enter in
		05	the contract with HMMA, they have to provide a
		06	certificate of insurance to be able to do that.
		07	That's required as part of the process.
		08	Q. Does HMMA have that certificate of
		09	insurance?
		10	A. The legal department likely has a
		11	copy of that certificate of insurance.
23	083:08 - 084:12	083:08	Q. Sure. Do you know when that
		09	certificate was provided, if ever, by HEA to
		10	HMMA?
		11	A. Okay. So as I stated earlier, in
		12	order for the contractor to enter a contract with
		13	HMMA and fully execute the contract, they have to
		14	provide a certificate of insurance.
		15	Q. Do you know if that was ever done by
		16	HEA?
		17	A. Again, in order for them to provide
		18	in order to be enter into the contract,
		19	they had to provide that contract to us.
		20	Q. I understand that's how it's supposed
		21	to work. My question, though, is in actuality,
		22	did HEA provide a certificate of insurance to
		23	HMMA?
		084:01	A. Again, as I've stated a couple of
		02	other times, I wasn't in this role to be able to
		03	know exactly what contract. I didn't sign this
		04	contract. So, therefore, I can't guarantee
		05	whether it was provided, but that is part of our
		06	process, as I've already stated, as part of being
		07	able to enter into a contract with HMMA.
		08	Q. And if HEA provided that certificate
		09	of insurance to HMMA, HMMA should still have it?
		10	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: Object to the

		11	form.
		12	A. Yes.
24	085:07 - 085:14	085:07	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Other than what
	003.07 003.11	08	you've described for me in the process that would
		09	have required HEA to provide that certificate of
		10	insurance to perform work, is there anything else
		11	that HMMA would have done to ensure HEA's
		12	compliance with the insurance provision in
		13	Section 9?
		14	A. Not that I'm aware of.
25	086:12 - 088:06	086:12	Q. I know you're looking going, How many
		13	sections are there to this contract. Let's look
		14	at Section 10, which talks about compliance with
		15	laws and rules.
		16	A. Okay. I'm at Section 10.
		17	Q. Okay. What is required through this
		18	section of the contract by the what is HMMA
		19	requiring through this section of the contract?
		20	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: It speaks for
		21	itself, but he can read it for the record if you
		22	want to.
		23	Q. In plain English, what is HMMA
		087:01	seeking to require? And this is one of the topic
		02	areas that's identified in Exhibit 1, the
		03	30(b)(6) notice. It was something that you were
		04	given an opportunity to prepare for.
		05	What is required through Section 10
		06	of the contract?
		07	A. So in general terms, the contractor
		08	shall comply with federal, state, and local laws,
		09	and also Title VII, and whatever Executive Orders
		10	12 11246, 11375, which are incorporated
		11	herein.
		12	And as I mentioned earlier,
		13	contractor agrees to save HMMA harmless from and
		14	against any and all liabilities, liens, claims,
		15 16	costs, losses, expenses, and judgments arising
		17	from or based on actual or asserted violations by the contractor.
		18	Of course, also be in compliance with
		19	OSHA. Again, that's just a broad term, and
		20	that's Section 10.2.
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		21	And 10.3 is then the contractor being
		22	required to comply with the safety rules,
		23	regulations, policies, and programs of HMMA as
		088:01	may be implemented from time to time by HMMA.
		02	And if any contractors well,
		03	contractor shall comply with all work rules and
		04	regulations as well in this agreement.
		05	Q. And would those be HMMA's work rules?
		06	A. Yes, that's correct.
26	089:02 - 089:04	089:02	Q. What are Executive Orders Number
İ		03	11246 and 11375?
		04	A. I do not know.
27	090:20 - 091:18	090:20	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) What, if anything,
		21	did HMMA do to enforce Section 10 of this
		22	contract?
		23	A. Well, in general, we make sure, as
		091:01	it's stated here, that all the contractors or
		02	subcontractors adhere to OSHA standards, safety
		03	policies, et cetera. If there was any issue
		04	where they were not in compliance, then we would
		05	take action as appropriate, but it just depends
		06	on the situation. It's on a case-by-case basis.
		07	Q. Anything else?
		08	A. No. I can't think of anything else.
		09	Q. What is the penalty for breaching
		10	Section 10?
		11	A. Well, could be simple reprimand up to
		12	terminating a contract. It could be. It just
		13	depends on the severity of the violation of this
		14	section of the contract.
		15	Q. Has HMMA made any determination as to
		16	whether Dynamic and/or HEA did anything to breach
		17	Section 10?
		18	A. Not that I'm aware of.
28	092:04 - 092:16	092:04	Q. Are you aware of anybody at HMMA
		05	evaluating whether HEA or Dynamic violated
		06	Section 10 of the contract?
		07	A. I'm not aware.
		08	Q. Has anybody on behalf of HMMA
		09	evaluated whether HEA or Dynamic did anything to
		10	evaluate or to violate Title VII of the Civil
		11	Rights Act of 1964?
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		12	A. I'm not aware.
		13	Q. Has anyone on behalf of HMMA
		14	evaluated whether HEA or Dynamic did anything to
		15	violate any federal anti-discrimination laws?
		16	A. Not that I'm aware of.
29	092:20 - 093:20	092:20	With respect to the filing of a
		21	charge of discrimination with the EEOC, what
		22	effect, if any, does it have on Section 10?
		23	In other words, would HEA or Dynamic
		093:01	be obligated to notify HMMA if it received a
		02	charge of discrimination from somebody it had
		03	placed on HMMA's property?
		04	A. No, because it's not an employee of
		05	HMMA.
		06	Q. Considering that the contract
		07	requires compliance with the federal
		08	anti-discrimination laws, would HMMA make any
		09	request that Dynamic or HEA notify it if it has
		10	been accused of violating those federal
		11	discrimination laws?
		12	A. They may make that request, but I
		13	guess it would determine whether that was a valid
		14	charge or not. I guess at some point when it
		15	became valid, then they would be notified.
		16	Q. Who determines if it's valid?
		17	A. I guess the EEO commission.
		18	Q. What makes a charge valid?
		19	A. Whether the EEO commission believes
		20	that there's some
30	094:02 - 095:01	094:02	Q. Considering that the contract directs
		03	in 10.1 that all services provided herein shall
		04	comply with all applicable federal, state, and
		05	local codes and goes on to reference some of
		06	the at least one federal anti-discrimination
		07	law, who for HMMA makes the determination as to
		08	whether the contractor is complying with those
		09	laws?
		10	A. HMMA evaluates if there is some
		11	again, depending on the severity of the issue,
		12	whether or not there is a violation of this
		13	section.
		14	Q. Who does that?
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		15	A. It depends on which group. What I
		16	mean by that is if this this particular one is
		17	under the general affairs team, oversees I'm
		18	sorry works with Hyundai Engineering on these
		19	contracts, but that's the only group I think
		20	would evaluate that.
		21	Q. Has anyone evaluated whether this
		22	section was violated as it related to the way
		23	Davita Key was treated?
		095:01	A. Not to my knowledge.
31	095:08 - 095:12	095:08	Section 20 uses the term "independent
İ		09	contractor." What does HMMA mean by the term
İ		10	"independent contractor"?
		11	A. Well, let me read through this
		12	section.
32	095:16 - 096:02	095:16	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Do you have any
		17	understanding of what this term means as it's
		18	used within the contract?
		19	A. Again, let me read through the
		20	contract.
		21	As I interpret it, I'll just say it's
		22	someone who is a subcontractor of the contractor.
		23	Q. What's the difference between a
		096:01	subcontractor of a contractor and an employee as
		02	you understand that term in this contract?
33	096:05 - 096:14	096:05	A. I can't like I said, I just
		06	interpret it as a subcontractor, someone that is
		07	not a part of the contractor in this contract
		08	with Hyundai AMOCO.
		09	Q. As the vice-president of human
		10	resources and the chief administrative officer,
		11	do you have an understanding of what the
		12	difference is between a contractor and an
		13	employee or an independent contractor or
		14	subcontractor and an employee?
34	096:18 - 097:10	096:18	A. I don't have any I gave my
		19	interpretation already.
		20	Q. And what is that?
		21	A. Again, as it states in this contract,
		22	the subcontractor is basically someone who works
		23	for the contractor in the case of this particular
		097:01	contract between Hyundai Motor Manufacturing
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		02	Alabama and Hyundai AMOCO.
		03	Q. And when you say works for, what do
		04	you mean by that?
		05	A. Works for Hyundai Engineering.
		06	Q. Exactly. When you say they work for
		07	Hyundai Engineering, what does it mean to work
		08	for Hyundai Engineering as opposed to
		09	A. They're a contractor. They provide
		10	services.
35	098:04 - 099:04	098:04	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Sure. The people
		05	that HEA would have placed at HMMA, the work
		06	those individuals performed, for what company's
		07	benefit was that work?
		08	A. Work performed for Hyundai AMOCO or
		09	Hyundai Engineering was for the benefit of that
		10	company. That's who the contract was with.
		11	Q. Who derived the benefit of the
		12	security services provided at the Hyundai gates?
		13	A. The Hyundai Engineering would have
		14	benefited from the services provided, and
		15	secondarily, we did, too. Hyundai Motor
		16	Manufacturing Alabama did as well.
		17	Q. What do you mean by secondarily?
		18	A. Because they were not directly
		19	employed by Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama.
		20	Q. How did HEA benefit from people
		21	guarding HMMA's property?
		22	A. Because they were paying for the
		23	services provided by the subcontractor,
		099:01	independent contractor on behalf of Hyundai AMOCO
		02	or Hyundai Engineering.
		03	Q. How did HEA benefit from people
		04	working in HMMA's mailroom?
26	000.06 000.16	000.06	They provided mail governed
36	099:06 - 099:16	099:06	A. They provided mail services.
		07	Q. For whom?
		08	A. For the the mail delivered to the
		09	site, which is 700 Hyundai Boulevard, to Hyundai
		10	Motor Manufacturing Alabama, or if there was
		11	someone else receiving goods I'm sorry not
		12	goods, packages or mail at that site, that's who
		13	benefited from the mailroom services.
		14	Q. But it would be fair to say that

		15	generally the mail coming into and going out of
		16	the mailroom was HMMA's mail?
37	099:19 - 100:20	099:19	A. That's hard to determine, because
	033113 100120	20	there are a number of subcontractors and
		21	independent contractors that work on our site in
		22	general that may say, I need a part or component
		23	delivered to Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama,
		100:01	700 Hyundai Boulevard with their name on it.
		02	Q. And that would be a part that's
		03	ultimately going to be used to benefit the
		04	production of HMMA's vehicles?
		05	A. It may be something to repair a part
		06	or repair something that's a building, not
		07	necessarily building of a vehicle.
		08	Q. But the buildings that are at on
		09	that property are HMMA's buildings, correct?
		10	A. That is correct.
		11	Q. And the equipment that is that is
		12	at that property is used ultimately to
		13	manufacture vehicles that are HMMA vehicles?
		14	A. There's a wide variety of activities
		15	on the site that does include manufacturing
		16	vehicles, but there are other activities as well.
		17	So it's hard to determine exactly
		18	what products were being delivered or what mail
		19	was being sent out by a variety of contractors or
		20	subcontractors on-site.
38	105:20 - 106:22	105:20	Q. I want to talk next about Section C,
		21	Projected Staffing Requirements.
		22	A. All right.
		23	Q. Okay. The first thing I want to look
		106:01	at is there is a statement within this that the
		02	schedule and manpower is subject to change based
		03	on the business needs of HMMA. What do you
		04	understand that to mean?
		05	A. My understanding is that if the
		06	facility was operating in a different time,
		07	meaning producing vehicles or not producing
		08	vehicles, shut down for maintenance, et cetera,
		09	that's where it would change.
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		10	Q. Okay. And do you agree that whoever

		12	HEA or Dynamic, it was to provide protection
		13	or to provide sufficient security personnel and
		14	supervision to ensure the protection of team
		15	members and the property at HMMA?
		16	A. Yeah, the contract stipulates that
		17	I'm sorry, the security services they would
		18	provide for the plant site, yes.
		19	Q. And so the goal of the contract is to
		20	ensure the protection of team members and
		21	property at HMMA?
		22	A. Yes.
39	107:13 - 107:15	107:13	Q. There is a chart below Section C.
		14	Does this set the minimum coverage that HMMA is
		15	requiring the contractor to provide?
40	107:17 - 108:04	107:17	A. At the time of this document being
	207127 200101	18	prepared, I would say yes.
		19	Q. Did this coverage schedule that we
		20	see below and I'm calling it a coverage
		21	schedule, the chart. Does this minimum
		22	requirement for coverage, did it change by the
		23	end of July 2017?
		108:01	A. This coverage chart could change from
		02	week to week depending on the operational status
		03	of Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama. As I
		04	said earlier, depending on shutdowns, et cetera.
41	112:22 - 113:05	112:22	Q. Would you agree the projected
		23	staffing requirements would have been created by
		113:01	HMMA?
		02	A. I can only say that they were
		03	probably determined in conjunction with the
		04	Hyundai Engineering team or Hyundai AMOCO at the
		05	time the scope of work was prepared.
42	116:22 - 117:01	116:22	Q. All right. If you can turn to the
'-	110122 117101	23	next page, which is Bates Number 31, and it's
		117:01	Summary of Services.
43	117:10 - 118:02	117:10	A. I'm looking at D, Summary of
43	117.10 - 116.02	117:10	Services.
		12	Q. All right. Does this accurately
		13	reflect the services that are to be provided
		14	under this contract?
		15	A. It does appear to be an accurate
		13	A. It does appear to be all accurate

		16	representation of the services provided.
		17	Q. Under Section E where we see
		18	specifications, under 1E, we see that contractor
		19	shall provide daily, weekly, monthly reports to
		20	HMMA manager, safety, security, and medical.
		21	What are the contents of those reports to be?
		22	A. I am only aware of the content in a
		23	daily report, and that would be all. And that
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44	118:22 - 119:13	118:22	Q. Who receives those reports? A. If I'm reading the contract, it would
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		119:01	be the HMMA managers, safety, security, and medical.
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		03	Q. Do you know if there are any
		04	references to Davita Key on any reports, be they
		05	daily, weekly, or monthly, that were sent to
		06	HMMA?
		07	A. I do not know.
		08	Q. Under Section 2 where we see minimum
		09	standards, and this is at the bottom of Page HMMA
		10	31, are these the minimum qualifications that we
		11	talked about before that HMMA has set for people
		12	to be placed to perform work pursuant to this
		13	contract?
45	119:17 - 119:19	119:17	A. It appears these are the minimum
		18	standards that were set forth between HMMA and
		19	Hyundai Engineering or Hyundai AMOCO.
46	127:17 - 128:02	127:17	Q. Does anything within this contract,
		18	Exhibit 2, require the contractor to provide
		19	training on federal anti-discrimination laws?
		20	A. I do not see any information
		21	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: Take your time and
		22	look at the whole contract.
		23	A. Yeah, I've looked through the whole
		128:01	thing. I'm not aware that there's anything
		02	specific to that.
47	128:05 - 128:17	128:05	Q. If you can turn to the next page,
		06	which is HMMA 34, I want to look at Section 6
		07	that talks about conduct.
		08	A. I see Section 6, Conduct.
		09	Q. When we look at that, under Section
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		10	A, it says the contractor has to ensure that the
		11	security officers carry out their duties and
		12	comply with the contract, and then it gives some
		13	examples of things that would be noncompliant.
		14	And the first thing listed is unacceptable
		15	appearance. What is that?
		16	A. The appearance of the security
		17	officer's uniform.
48	130:23 - 132:21	130:23	Q. We're going to show you on the screen
		131:01	a document that's produced as HEA 205. And it's
		02	a picture of someone wearing a gray golf shirt
		03	with the name Elijah on it, and it's got a logo
		04	on it. Is this the golf shirt that is referred
		05	to in the uniform section?
		06	A. Yes, I would based on the five
		07	golf style shirts, that that looks like a golf
		08	style shirt, yes.
		09	Q. And there's a patch that under the
		10	section says has to be affixed on the shirt or
		11	whatever. What is the patch affixed on that
		12	shirt?
		13	A. The cloth patches may refer to the
		14	name of the subcontractor maybe.
		15	Q. Well, looking at the golf shirt that
		16	you said is representative of what is required
		17	under the contract, what does the patch on that
		18	say?
		19	A. On this photo, it says Hyundai
		20	Alabama on the let's see. Is that left-hand
		21	side? And then the name of the individual on the
		22	right-hand side.
		23	Q. And to what company does Hyundai
		132:01	Alabama refer?
		02	A. Probably not referring to any company
		03	at all. There's not a Hyundai Alabama company.
		04	Q. Why is that do you know why that
		05	then is the patch that's on the shirt?
		06	A. It specifies in Section 5, Uniforms,
		07	site manager, five golf shirts let's see.
		08	Contractor shall provide, in addition to uniforms
		09	described above, for the site manager, five golf
		10	shirts, with appropriate embroidered logo and

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20 statement?			20	statement?

		21	A. That is a true statement.
		22	Q. If you can turn to Page 6, which is
		23	the verification of the interrogatory answers, is
		145:01	that your signature?
		02	A. That is my signature on Page 6.
		03	Q. And did you understand that when you
		04	were providing this information and signing these
		05	interrogatories, you were doing so on behalf of
		06	HMMA?
		07	A. Yes, I knew that I was providing this
		08	on behalf of HMMA.
54	154:04 - 154:12	154:04	Q. And who gets e-mail addresses that
		05	say that are whatever@HMMAUSA.com?
		06	A. Those approved for establishing
		07	e-mail by the department making the request. So
		08	I'm referring to a department at HMMA.
		09	Q. Okay. Does HMMA own the domain
		10	HMMAUSA.com?
		11	A. I suspect they do, because that's the
		12	way it's been since I got there.
55	155:12 - 156:17	155:12	Q. Where did Ms. Key perform work at
		13	HMMA?
		14	A. It is my understanding that she was
		15	mail what was the what do they call it,
		16	mail something in the contract, mailroom
		17	attendant.
		18	Q. I'm going to show you what's been
		19	marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 4, which is Bates
		20	Number HMMA 77 that appears to be a diagram.
		21	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 4 was
		22	marked for identification and a copy of same is
		23	attached hereto.)
		156:01	A. Yes, I see the diagram in front of
		02	me. It looks like the first floor of the
		03	administration building, HMMA administration
		04	building.
		05	Q. Does Plaintiff's Exhibit 4 accurately
		06	represent the area or the building in which Ms.
		07	Key was assigned to work?
		08	A. If Ms. Key was assigned mailroom
		09	attendant, clerk, whatever the right term, then
		10	yes, that's where the individual would have
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		11	worked is in that space on the west side of the
		12	building labeled Mailroom.
		13	Q. And what building is represented in
		14	Plaintiff's Exhibit 4?
		15	A. It is the Hyundai Motor Manufacturing
		16	Alabama administration building, what it's
		17	commonly referred to.
56	156:20 - 157:05	156:20	A. First floor, as I said earlier, yes,
		21	first floor.
		22	Q. Does HMMA agree that Plaintiff's
		23	Exhibit 4 is a true and accurate and authentic
		157:01	representation of the first floor of that
		02	building as it would have looked in 2017?
		03	A. That's what I was going to clarify,
		04	that at that moment in time, it does look to be
		05	accurate.
57	158:16 - 158:18	158:16	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Okay. What other
İ		17	departments were housed in the administration
		18	building?
58	158:22 - 159:03	158:22	A. Oh, my goodness. Okay. So public
		23	relations and AutoEver, the IT service provider,
		159:01	general purchasing, parts development on the
		02	second floor. What I just described, both of
		03	those entities are on the second floor.
59	159:09 - 159:17	159:09	A. So anyway. So then the third floor
		10	is legal and compliance, finance, team relations,
		11	environment, health, and safety on the west side
		12	of the building on the third floor. And the east
		13	side of the building on the third floor is
		14	general affairs and human resources and the
		15	executive office.
		16	I think that's it, I hope. I think I
		17	got them all.
60	159:21 - 161:08	159:21	A. That's right. I sure did. On the
		22	second floor on the east side, quality, which is
		23	where the parts development and general
		160:01	purchasing, yep, that's right.
		02	Q. I've got some questions based on the
		03	way the diagram looks. If you look to where the
		04	mailroom is, to the left of the mailroom we see a
		05	long rectangle. Is that a loading dock?

		06	A. Oh, okay. So the two long rectangles
		07	at that well, no, we're not talking about the
		08	same thing. Tornado shelters are there outside
		09	of the building. Between the tornado shelters,
		10	yes, is a loading dock.
		11	Q. And that would be when mail is being
		12	brought in from whatever carrier, be it the
		13	postal service, UPS, DHL, whatever, they would
		14	bring it in there so it could be brought into the
		15	mailroom?
		16	A. Yes, if it's an item that can be
		17	unloaded at that location, yes.
		18	Q. What are the mailroom hours?
		19	A. General mailroom hours are 8:00 a.m.
		20	to 4:45 p.m.
		21	Q. Who set those hours?
		22	A. They are just consistent with the
		23	administration building's normal operating hours.
		161:01	Nobody really sets anything, just consistent with
		02	
		03	building.
		04	Q. Do employees who work in the mailroom
		05	have to have a badge in order to get into the
		06	building or anything like that?
		07	A. They do have to have a badge to get
		08	into the building.
61	163:10 - 163:19	163:10	Q. For the period of July to August
		11	2017, what were the duties and responsibilities
		12	for the people assigned to work in the mailroom?
		13	A. Mailroom personally would go to the
		14	post office to either pick up or drop off mail.
İ		15	They're also responsible for delivering mail
		16	and/or packages site-wide if appropriate or other
		17	times call a department to let them know a
İ		18	package has arrived to have them come pick it up.
		19	That's a general idea what they do.
62	163:23 - 164:03	163:23	Q. Typically, how many people work in
		164:01	the mailroom, if you know?
		02	A. Based on the document we reviewed
		03	earlier, it looked like there was two.
63	164:20 - 168:05	164:20	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) All right. We are
		21	back from lunch, and I want us to look at
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- Plaintiff's Exhibit 5, which is Bates Numbers 22 23 HMMA 135 to 235. 165:01 (Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 5 was marked for identification and a copy of same is 02 03 attached hereto.) 04 0 And this is a document identified as 05 Contractor Safety, Security, and Fire Protection 06 Handbook. 07 Α. Uh-huh (positive response). I have 08 it in my hand. 09 All right. At the top of all of the 10 pages, we see there's a few bars, and it's got the Hyundai or an H logo and the word Hyundai, 11 and then it says Contractor Handbook, and then 13 next to it HR-AL-EHS-SF-External, do you see that? 14 15 Α. Yes, I see that. 16 Q. What does this bar represent? Why is it on this document? 17 This is what I would term as the 18 19 standard format for our documents related to the 20 business management system, so there's consistency across all documents and the way that 21 22 they are presented in that system. That's the 23 best way I can put it, yeah. 166:01 And when we see the H logo and then 02 the word Hyundai in the top right corner of that 03 box, what does that represent or who does that 04 identify? 05 Α. It represents, in this case, Hyundai 06 Motor Manufacturing Alabama. 07 Is that symbol, the H symbol, and the
 - 10 A. There are a number of Hyundai
 - 11 companies that may use the Hyundai logo or name,

word Hyundai used to refer to any other company

- 12 but it's not necessarily directly associated with
- 13 Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama.

other than HMMA?

- 15 right.

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- 16 Q. Okay. Does HEA to your knowledge use
- 17 that H logo or that word "Hyundai" to identify
- 18 itself?

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		19	A. I've not seen their logo, but Hyundai
		20	Engineering, that's kind of obvious, they use the
		21	word "Hyundai."
		22	Q. I guess where I'm going is: Like
		23	when we went to Ms. Key's deposition on Monday,
		167:01	we were in the security building on the Hyundai
		02	campus. And when you walk into that building
		03	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: Hyundai Motor
		04	Manufacturing Alabama campus.
		05	Q. Right. And when you walked into that
		06	building, there was the big blue wall that had
		07	the H that we see here and the word "Hyundai" on
		08	it, and that H and that word "Hyundai" was
		09	outside of the plant that you can see from I-65.
		10	Are you aware of anybody using that H
		11	and the word "Hyundai" to brand itself other than
		12	Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama?
		13	A. So, again, there's a number of
		14	entities that use the word "Hyundai," like
		15	Hyundai Motor America.
		16	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: She's talking
		17	about this brand.
		18	A. But this so the brand, the Hyundai
		19	logo, this is the corporate identity standard for
		20	Hyundai as an entity, and we're Hyundai Motor
		21	Manufacturing Alabama.
		22	Q. And when you say it's the corporate
		23	brand for Hyundai as an entity, what are you
		168:01	referring to when you say Hyundai as an entity?
		02	A. In our case, it's Hyundai Motor
		03	Manufacturing, LLC. If it's Hyundai Motor
		04	America, they're using it as the Hyundai org
		05	company or the overall group that says Hyundai.
64	171:09 - 172:10	171:09	Q. All right. What is the purpose of
		10	Plaintiff's Exhibit 5, the safety, security, and
		11	fire protection handbook?
		12	A. So in general terms, this document is
		13	provided to contractors so they understand the
		14	safety, security, and fire protection protocols
		15	and/or guidelines and standards that they need to
		16	follow or adhere to as a part of their activities
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		18	Q. I want to go back before I forget to
		19	clarify. Orlando Harris is employed by HMMA,
		20	correct?
		21	A. That is correct.
		22	Q. So any revisions that were made to
		23	Plaintiff's Exhibit 5 were made exclusively by
		172:01	HMMA?
		02	A. In the if it was in the controlled
		03	document that we referred to, yeah, those changes
		04	would be made by our safety staff, because
		05	Orlando Harris is part of the safety department.
		06	Q. And the policies and procedures that
		07	we see contained in Exhibit 5 are set by HMMA's
		08	safety department?
		09	A. This document was is owned and
		10	created by the safety department, yes.
65	174:03 - 176:04	174:03	Q. At any given time, approximately how
		04	many contractors are performing work on HMMA's
		05	property?
		06	A. I have no clue how many at any one
		07	time.
		08	Q. There are approximately, what, three
		09	thousand employees at HMMA?
		10	A. There are approximately three
		11	thousand employees at HMMA, yes.
		12	Q. Is the number of contractors
		13	performing work at the HMMA property greater
		14	than, equal to, or less than the number of W-2
		15	employees working on the property?
		16	A. I don't want to I mean, it's like
		17	speculation to know how many contractors are
		18	on-site at any one time, because it will vary
		19	from day to day depending on what work is being
		20	performed and who is entered into some form of an
		21	agreement to have them come out and do work
		22	there. So it can change from day to day.
		23	So that's why it's hard to give you a
		175:01	hard and fast I understand what you just told
		02	me, higher or lower than, but there are I
		03	would feel comfortable, let's go there, saying
		04	hundreds.
		05	Q. Does Plaintiff's Exhibit 5 apply
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		06	equally to all people working at HMMA through a
		07	contract regardless of what job they are doing?
		08	A. Yeah. The expectation is they follow
		09	the safety, security, and fire protection
		10	guidelines, et cetera, inside this handbook.
		11	Q. And do the policies and procedures in
		12	Exhibit 5 apply equally and in the same way to
		13	all people performing work pursuant to a contract
		14	at HMMA regardless of their work experience or
		15	disciplinary history?
		16	A. What's that last part?
		17	Q. Disciplinary history.
		18	A. I don't know if disciplinary history
		19	has any relevance, but the expectation is anyone
		20	performing any work as a contractor or otherwise
		21	on HMMA property follow these safety, security,
		22	and fire protection protocols for safety.
		23	Q. So regardless of their length of
		176:01	service, work history, job title, everybody who
		02	works at a contract works under a contract at
		03	HMMA is subject in the equal way to the contents
		04	of Exhibit 5?
66	176:07 - 176:10	176:07	A. I just think that the expectation is
		08	they understand the, I guess we'll say again,
		09	guidelines, rules, et cetera of this handbook as
		10	they perform any services on our site.
67	182:23 - 183:18	182:23	Q. May persons who are performing work
		183:01	on the HMMA campus through a contract engage in
		02	conduct which is expressly prohibited of HMMA
		03	employees?
		04	A. Say that one more time.
		05	Q. Sure. May contractors who are
		06	performing work at HMMA's property engage in
		07	conduct that would be prohibited by somebody
		08	employed directly by HMMA?
		09	A. No. A good example, and just because
		10	I'm reading right here on Page 9 of the document,
		11	workplace threats and violence would not be
		12	acceptable regardless if you're a team member or
		13	a contractor.
		14	Q. Is there any conduct which is
		15	prohibited for an HMMA employee that a contractor

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		16	would be approved to engage in while performing
		17	work on HMMA's property?
		18	A. Not that I'm aware of.
68	190:19 - 191:17	190:19	Q. Who is responsible at HMMA for
		20	enforcing the equal employment opportunity policy
		21	we see in Exhibit 7 on HMMA 1?
		22	A. Oh, so, again, this is in the HMMA
		23	team member handbook, and so essentially the
İ		191:01	entire company is basically responsible for
İ		02	enforcing or making sure that we provide work
İ		03	places that prohibits discrimination, harassment,
		04	retaliation against team members, et cetera.
		05	Q. What actions were taken in 2017 to
		06	enforce the EEO policy by HMMA?
		07	A. Well, I wouldn't go enforce is one
		08	word that maybe doesn't apply in the sense that
		09	we every day we are trying to make sure we
		10	have a workplace that prohibits discrimination,
		11	harassment, retaliation, et cetera for our team
		12	members, et cetera.
		13	Q. Are there any things specifically
		14	that you're aware that HMMA did in 2017 or in the
		15	years leading up to it to ensure that everyone
		16	working at the company adhered to and followed
		17	the EEO policy?
69	191:20 - 193:19	191:20	Q. I want a clear answer, because I
		21	don't want to have to go back and refer. So what
		22	are you aware leading up to 2017 and in 2017 that
		23	was done at HMMA to enforce or make sure people
		192:01	are following the EEO policy?
İ		02	A. So in 2017, the consistently
		03	throughout the time of HMMA, to my knowledge, is
		04	upon hiring, when they go through orientation,
		05	they're explained about the EEO policy with HMMA.
		06	And then depending on the timing, whether the
		07	individual joined at whatever point in time,
		08	every two years, regardless, every two years
		09	there's an EEO training or refresher training
		10	that goes on for all team members.
		11	And that's managed by the legal
		12	department with assistance from team relations.
		13	Q. Anything else?

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		14	A. Not that I'm aware of.
		15	Q. When you say that in orientation the
		16	policy is explained, how much time is spent
		17	explaining the EEO policy in orientation?
		18	A. I don't know the exact timeframe, but
		19	it is definitely covered.
		20	Q. What is done to cover it?
		21	A. Review the policy as a whole.
		22	Q. What does that mean?
		23	A. The same thing that's in the
		193:01	handbook.
		02	Q. Is it just read to individuals? Is
		03	the policy read out loud? Is the policy
		04	explained? Or people just said, Hey, there's an
		05	EEO policy, look at it?
		06	A. It's reviewed.
		07	Q. That's what I'm saying. What does it
		08	mean to say it's reviewed?
		09	A. In the context of the handbook.
		10	Q. I don't think we're communicating.
		11	I'm not following what you're saying.
		12	A. So an individual sits through
		13	orientation, and they are given they're
		14	reviewed at the time of this, maybe it was
		15	literally a hard copy handbook, but now it's in
		16	the form of a presentation.
		17	But at this time, it was literally a
		18	handbook provided to the individual which reviews
		19	that policy.
70	194:11 - 194:23	194:11	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) When you look at
'	15.1.21	12	the last paragraph on the EEO policy where it
		13	says the head of HMMA human resources department
		14	monitors HMMA's equal employment opportunity
		15	efforts and reports regularly to HMMA's executive
		16	management, who is the head of HMMA's human
		17	resources department?
		18	A. Something I mentioned earlier, the
		19	senior manager of human resources.
		20	Q. And so that would be in 2017, who
		21	would that have been?
		22	A. At that time, it would have been
		22	Scott Gordy.
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71	196:07 - 199:13	196:07	Q. In Exhibit 7 under the EEO policy
		08	that provides that the head of HR is going to
		09	monitor the EEO efforts and report regularly to
		10	HMMA's executive management, who constitutes
		11	executive management? Who receives that report?
		12	A. Anyone above the senior manager level
		13	in the organization.
		14	Q. Do you receive that report?
		15	A. I would receive a report, yes.
		16	Q. Okay. Are the reports made pursuant
		17	to this policy of the monitoring of the EEO
		18	efforts, are those reports made orally or in
		19	writing?
		20	A. When they're made, they are in a
		21	written form sometimes, yeah.
		22	Q. When was the last time a report of
		23	that nature was made?
		197:01	A. Well, we've been without a head of HR
		02	for a little bit, but the fact is that those
		03	reports can be generated upon request.
		04	Q. What are the contents of the report?
		05	What's contained in them?
		06	A. It would look at the team member
		07	population in the sense of diversity of the
		08	population more than anything else.
		09	Q. Other than reporting the demographics
		10	of the workforce, is there anything else that is
		11	contained in the report on the monitoring of the
		12	EEO efforts?
		13	A. No. It just usually shows what our
		14	team member population makeup looks like.
		15	Q. In reporting on the equal employment
		16	opportunity efforts, does the head of human
		17	resources report about the number of complaints
		18	internally received about discrimination or
		19	harassment or conduct that would be contrary to
		20	the EEO policy?
		21	A. No. We don't report that.
		22	Q. Do you know why that is not reported?
		23 198:01	A. Because those complaints actually, I
		02	guess we'll say, are monitored, collected by the team relations department in conjunction with the
		03	legal and compliance department.

		04	Q. Do those complaints not reflect on
		05	the EEO efforts of HMMA?
		06	A. They may reflect on our efforts, but
		07	it's not that particular part of it is not
		08	collected by the human resources department.
		09	Q. What, if anything, does reporting the
		10	demographics of the workforce reflect in terms of
		11	the EEO efforts of HMMA?
		12	A. It shows that we try to hire and
		13	based not based on race, color, religion, sex,
		14	et cetera.
		15	Q. What does reporting the demographics
		16	reflect in terms of how employees are treated
		17	once they've been hired in terms of equal
		18	employment opportunity?
		19	A. Again, our team relations and the
		20	legal department tracks any complaints that may
		21	have been logged by individuals for related to
		22	EEO.
		23	Q. What does team relations and legal do
		199:01	to track those complaints?
		02	A. If a team member raises a concern,
		03	they will bring that to their team relations
		04	representative or assistant manager or manager,
		05	and then it would be investigated by a team
		06	relations representative, depending on the
		07	position of the individual making the complaint.
		08	Q. Does team relations and legal track
		09	the number of complaints that are filed in a
		10	given period of time?
		11	A. Yes, they do.
		12	Q. And how do they document that? Is
		13	that in some type of document?
72	199:18 - 199:20	199:18	A. There is a, I guess we'll say,
-		19	spreadsheet or other document that tracks any of
		20	those complaints that may be logged.
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73	201:18 - 202:06	201:18	Q. And is that a matter of practice and
		19	policy for every internal complaint?
		20	A. That is correct.
		21	Q. And that's a matter of practice and
		22	policy for every complaint that is made pursuant
		23	to the EEO and anti-harassment policies we see in

		202:01	Exhibit 7, correct?
		02	A. For team members.
		03	Q. So that's part of the normal business
		04	operations of how the EEO and anti-harassment
		05	policy is implemented and followed at HMMA,
		06	correct?
74	202:09 - 202:20	202:09	A. For team members.
		10	Q. And so if I were to ask HMMA to
		11	identify the internal complaints it's received of
		12	race discrimination, pregnancy discrimination,
		13	gender discrimination, or retaliation in a given
		14	period of time, it has a document that provides
		15	it with the information identifying those
		16	internal complaints?
		17	A. The legal department controls the
		18	document that dictates what investigations have
		19	been directed by them to be investigated by our
		20	team relations department.
75	205:12 - 208:09	205:12	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Have you received
		13	training or direction on the EEOC policy and the
		14	anti-harassment policy?
		15	A. Yes, I have. That's every well,
		16	when I joined the company and then every two
		17	years as part of the refresher training.
		18	Q. Based on the training that you've
		19	received and your understanding of the EEO and
		20	anti-harassment policy, do you think you could
		21	identify conduct that violates the policy?
		22	A. I mean, any harassment, sexual
		23	harassment, to be more specific. Certainly, any
		206:01	form of retaliation would fall in that category,
		02	and then any form of discrimination.
		03	Q. What is discrimination as you
		04	understand it from your training and your
		05	understanding of this policy and your obligation
		06	to comply with the policy?
		07	A. Discriminating an individual may be
		08	because of a disability. That would be
		09	discriminating, because they maybe they had
		10	just some form of disability. That's the best
		11	way I can put it. And anything related to their
		12	race or their creed, ethnicity.
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       team relations rep or someone else, then the
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       details, would ask team relations or another
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       making the complaint, to direct an investigation.
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       other party, depending on the level of the
       individual. Then that doc -- the investigation
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       itself would come before the EEO committee,
       policy committee to review, which includes a
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       representative from the legal department, and
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       they would review all the facts as presented.
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       a decision would be made whether or not it
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		09	actually violated our policy.
76	212:17 - 212:23	212:17	Q. But with respect to every time
		18	there's been an investigation where HMMA's EEO
		19	policy committee has been asked to make a
		20	determination as to whether conduct violated its
		21	EEO or anti-harassment policy, there would be a
İ		22	document reflecting the final decision?
		23	A. Yes, there would.
77	215:04 - 216:04	215:04	Q. What has HMMA done to evaluate the
İ		05	effectiveness of its policies prohibiting
İ		06	discrimination and retaliation?
		07	A. I'm not sure evaluating? What do
İ		08	you mean by evaluating?
İ		09	Q. Figure out if their policies are
İ		10	working.
İ		11	A. Well, we discuss, you know, whether
		12	or not investigations or complaints come forward,
		13	so that would be a benchmark for showing how well
İ		14	we communicate with our team members about the
İ		15	importance of the EEO policy and following it.
İ		16	Q. So the complaints received would be a
		17	benchmark as to whether or not the policy is
		18	working?
		19	A. I believe that would be a way of
		20	determining how well we are performing as an
		21	organization.
		22	Q. Okay. Anything else?
		23	A. Nope.
		216:01	Q. Has HMMA made a determination as to
		02	whether its policies prohibiting discrimination
		03	and retaliation are effective?
		04	A. No.
78	216:17 - 216:20	216:17	Q. Okay. Who at HMMA would be made
		18	aware when an EEOC charge is received like the
		19	EEOC charges we see contained in Exhibit 6?
		20	A. Legal and compliance department.
79	220:01 - 221:01	220:01	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) From 2017 to the
		02	present, what internal complaints of race
		03	discrimination or retaliation or gender
		04	discrimination were made that were not elevated
		05	to the EEOC or lawsuit level?
		06	A. Say that again.
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		07	Q. Sure. One of the topic areas
		08	identified in 13C was for you to be able to
		09	testify to the internal complaints made from 2017
		10	to the present of race discrimination, gender
		11	discrimination, those things that were not
		12	elevated to the EEOC or lawsuit level.
		13	A. So that goes back to where we were
		14	discussing earlier if a complaint was brought
		15	forth by a team member and then directed to be
		16	investigated by legal and compliance, right?
		17	That's what we're talking about.
		18	Q. Exactly. So what are those
		19	complaints?
		20	A. Are you expecting me to give you a
		21	number?
		22	Q. Yeah. I would like to know how many
		23	there are.
		221:01	A. No.
80	221:14 - 225:10	221:14	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Are you aware of
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		17	present internally?
		18	A. Yes.
		19	Q. Okay. How many?
		20	A. Again, that's I don't have any
		21	idea how many at all.
		22	Q. Are you aware of the names of any of
		23	the people who would have brought those
		222:01	complaints?
		02	A. No.
		02	Q. Are you aware if HMMA found in
		03	response to any of those complaints that its EEO
		04	policy or anti-harassment policy was violated?
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		07	again.
		08	Q. Sure. Did HMMA make a determination
		09	in evaluating those complaints that its EEO or
		10	anti-harassment policy had been violated?
		11	A. I'm confused about what you're asking
		12	me, because we already said that if it did not
		13	elevate you first asked me did it elevate to
		14	the level of an actual charge versus a complaint

15 that was investigated. 16 Q. Right. 17 Α. So yes, an investigation took place, determined not to be a violation of HMMA's EEO 18 policy, and that's it. I'm confused. 19 20 ο. This is my point: Somebody could 21 complain internally. HMMA could say, oh, yeah, 22 what they're complaining about is right, somebody did discriminate against them, but that employee 23 223:01 may not file an EEOC charge. They may decide not 02 to pursue anything. 03 And that's ultimately what I'm asking 04 is: When HMMA got these internal complaints, did 05 they determine, in any of those circumstances, 06 the complaints we're talking about from 2017 to the present, did they determine that there had 07 08 been discrimination or harassment or retaliation? 09 Α. So if an individual upon investigation determined that someone violated 10 HMMA's EEO policy and that committee that I don't 11 12 sit on makes that determination, then they will address the situation with the individuals 13 involved. 14 15 Q. And that's ultimately my question, 16 is: Speaking on behalf of HMMA, are you able to tell me whether from 2017 to the present when 17 18 HMMA has received an internal complaint of 19 discrimination or retaliation, has it determined 20 that there was discrimination or retaliation? 21 If during the investigation they 22 determined that it violated HMMA's EEO policy, 23 which includes discrimination, race, et cetera, 224:01 then they would -- if it has been determined, then they would address that with the individuals 02 involved in the investigation. 03 04 And I get that's what they would do 05 if that happened. My question is: Has there been a determination that there was 06 discrimination or retaliation through the 08 investigation of any of those complaints? 09 Α. I already answered that question three times. 10 11 Q. Is it yes or no?

		12	A. It is I just said if they
		13	determined there was some violation of the EEO
		14	policy, then that would be addressed with the
		15	individual that violated the policy. I just
		16	answered that three times.
		17	Q. I'm still not clear. So is that yes,
		18	there has been a finding there was discrimination
		19	in response to one or more complaints?
		20	A. I just answered that four times now.
		21	The answer is if it's determined that there's a
		22	violation
		23	MR. MIDDLEBROOKS: Do you know if
		225:01	they ever put down that, yes, there was a
		02	violation?
		03	A. Again, if there was one, then it was
		04	addressed.
		05	Q. And I understand that, but my
		06	question is trying to figure out if there was
		07	one. Has there been a time
		08	A. Well, I wouldn't be telling you that
		09	there wasn't one if I didn't say if there was
		10	one, because I would say there never was one.
81	227:10 - 227:14	227:10	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Are you has
		11	HMMA received any complaints that its policies
		12	relating to grooming or dress code are
		13	discriminatory?
		14	A. Not that I'm aware of.
82	228:06 - 228:11	228:06	Q. Has anyone acting on behalf of HMMA
		07	evaluated or determined whether the way Davita
		08	Key was treated when she performed work at HMMA
		09	was consistent with HMMA's EEO policy and/or
		10	federal laws?
		11	A. No.
83	235:21 - 236:17	235:21	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) On the first page
		22	of Exhibit 11, which is Bates Number HEA 53, in
		23	the second to the last paragraph, right above
		236:01	where we see some italicized words
		02	A. I see that.
		03	Q it says: The client's grooming
		04	policy is posted in the security officer roll
		05	call room. Is there a security officer roll call
		06	room on the HMMA property?
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		07	A. There is a security officer roll call
		08	room.
		09	Q. Is there a grooming policy posted in
		10	the security officer roll call room?
		11	A. I do not know. I've not been in that
		12	room to be able to see that document or how it
		13	was posted. I've never seen it.
		14	Q. Do you know if in 2017 there was a
		15	grooming policy posted in a security officer roll
		16	call room?
		17	A. I do not know.
84	236:22 - 237:03	236:22	Q. Where is the security officer roll
		23	call room located?
		237:01	A. Inside the security building at
		02	Entrance 3 at HMMA. That's adjacent to Entrance
		03	3 at HMMA.
85	239:21 - 240:02	239:21	Q. Do you have any knowledge as to
		22	whether or not HMMA may have communicated a
		23	grooming policy to Dynamic as to what it expected
		240:01	for people in Ms. Key's role?
		02	A. No.
86	240:23 - 241:17	240:23	Q. Did Dynamic make an untrue statement
		241:01	to the EEOC when it said HMMA's grooming
		02	policy or HMMA had a grooming policy that
		03	would have applied to Ms. Key's dreadlocks?
		04	A. I understand what it says in the
		05	document here, but I believe there's a
		06	misinterpretation of HMMA policy, because, again,
		07	the only policy that refers to length of hair is
		08	our safety protocols.
		09	Q. So you would say Dynamic's
		10	representation to the EEOC that HMMA had a
		11	grooming policy relating to Ms. Key's hairstyle
		12	is untrue?
		13	A. I would have to say, because we don't
		14	have one that applies to the mail clerks.
		15	Q. So it would be HMMA's position then
		16	that Dynamic provided untrue information to the
		17	EEOC?
87	242:02 - 242:03	242:02	A. Yes, I believe that is an untrue
		03	representation.
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88	245:12 - 245:17	245:12	Q. So would it be fair to say HMMA's
		13	position is it does not know who made the
		14	decision for Ms. Key to stop performing work on
		15	HMMA's property?
		16	A. HMMA did not know who made the
		17	decision to
89	246:07 - 246:18	246:07	Q. Is there any reason that Ms. Key
		08	would be disqualified from working at HMMA? Now,
		09	I understand jobs may not be available or she may
		10	not be qualified for a job, but other than
		11	reasons of qualification or not having a job
		12	available, is there any reason she would not be
		13	eligible to work at HMMA?
		14	A. Not that I'm aware of.
		15	Q. Is she eligible to seek employment at
		16	HMMA?
		17	A. She's I don't know why she would
		18	not be eligible.
90	247:01 - 247:06	247:01	Q. Did anyone at HMMA object to Ms.
		02	Key's appearance?
		03	A. No.
		04	Q. Did anyone at HMMA object to Ms.
		05	Key's hairstyle?
		06	A. No.
91	248:01 - 248:10	248:01	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Has HMMA learned
		02	anything through this lawsuit about Ms. Key that
		03	if she were to seek employment with the company
		04	would disqualify her from being employed?
		05	A. No.
		06	Q. Is HMMA aware of any job
		07	opportunities that Ms. Key has failed to
		08	reasonably take advantage of since August 1st of
		09	2017?
		10	A. I have no knowledge.
92	248:14 - 249:07	248:14	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 12
		15	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		16	is attached hereto.)
		17	Q. Have you seen these documents before?
		18	A. Yes, I did review this document
		19	yesterday.
		20	Q. Okay. Prior to HMMA receiving
		21	Exhibit 12, which begins with a letter dated
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		22	October 24th, 2018 from the EEOC to Chris Smith,
		23	prior to that point in time, had HMMA heard from
		249:01	any source that Davita Key had complained about
		02	discrimination or retaliation?
		03	A. No. We had not heard about this case
		04	prior to this notice.
		05	Q. Had HEA or Dynamic informed HMMA that
		06	Ms. Key had made either a complaint to Dynamic or
		07	that Ms. Key had filed an EEOC charge?
93	249:11 - 249:11	249:11	A. No.
94	250:04 - 250:17	250:04	Q. Okay. Considering that general
		05	affairs would be the point of contact for the
İ		06	security services contract, in preparing for your
		07	deposition, did you make any effort to obtain
		08	information from general affairs as to whether
		09	they had received notice from HEA, Dynamic, or
		10	any other source about Ms. Key's complaints?
		11	A. No.
		12	Q. Do you know what efforts, if any,
		13	legal and compliance made to determine if any
		14	other points of contact at HMMA other than Mr.
		15	Whitehead had knowledge of Ms. Key's complaints
		16	prior to October 24th?
		17	A. No.
95	250:23 - 253:07	250:23	Q. If you turn to the second page of
		251:01	Exhibit 12, which is Bates Number Key 58, it
		02	appears to be a notice of charge of
		03	discrimination, which is referenced as an
		04	attachment to the first page, and that appears to
		05	bear an e-mail address. And that's why I was
		06	asking is, looking at these, I couldn't tell if
		07	this was sent via mail or e-mail. Does HMMA not
		08	have any recollection which way it came through?
		09	A. I don't have specific knowledge how
		10	it was delivered, no.
		11	Q. Okay. On Page 59 of Exhibit 12 at
		12	the top of the page is a preservation of records
		13	requirement. When did HMMA first take steps to
		14	preserve information or documents that would
		15	relate to Ms. Key's allegation that she
		16	experienced discrimination when she was removed
		17	from doing work on HMMA's property?
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		18	A. Normal practice, once a charge is
		19	presented to HMMA, is to require anyone that may
		20	have connection with the case to do just what you
		21	said, preserve records.
		22	Q. Was any type of litigation hold
		23	letter sent out to anyone at HMMA relating to Ms.
		252:01	Key's claims?
		02	A. That, I wouldn't know. I would defer
		03	to legal and compliance.
		04	Q. Did HMMA receive any type of
		05	litigation hold from Dynamic or from HEA?
		06	A. I would have to defer to legal and
		07	compliance.
		08	Q. On the next page, which is Key 60, it
		09	gives direction on a position statement, and it
		10	indicates that a position statement should be
		11	signed by an officer, agent, or representative of
		12	the respondent.
		13	Did HMMA understand that that would
		14	be what was required when it was responding to
		15	the EEOC?
		16	A. I believe our legal and compliance
		17	department would follow the directive of the
		18	EEOC.
		19	Q. All right. I want to look next at
		20	Exhibit 13, which is Ms. Key's EEOC charge.
		21	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 13
		22	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		23	is attached hereto.)
		253:01	Q. Who did HMMA notify that it had
		02	received Ms. Key's EEOC charge, which is Exhibit
		03	13 or Bates Number Key 47?
		04	A. One more time. Say that one more
		05	time.
		06	Q. Sure. Who did HMMA notify that it
		07	had received this charge of discrimination?
96	253:13 - 253:21	253:13	A. I'm a little bit confused about who
		14	notified who. I mean, EEO notified HMMA.
		15	Q. No, no. When HMMA got this document,
		16	who did they tell, Hey, Davita Key has filed an
		17	EEOC charge?
		18	A. Oh, okay. So as I said earlier, once
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		19	we received the notification, legal and
		20	compliance contacted Hyundai Engineering to learn
		21	more information about the charge.
97	260:04 - 260:17	260:04	Q. (BY MS. LEONARD:) Exhibit 14 is
		05	HMMA's submission to the EEOC in response to Ms.
		06	Key's EEOC charge, and it's Bates Numbers Key 67
		07	through 72.
		08	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 14
		09	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		10	is attached hereto.)
		11	Q. Was Mr. Middlebrooks somebody who was
		12	authorized to draft and sign this document on
		13	behalf of HMMA?
		14	A. Yes.
		15	Q. And HMMA authorized him to speak to
		16	the matters raised in Ms. Key's EEOC charge?
		17	A. Yes.
98	261:11 - 262:05	261:11	Q. Exhibit 15 is Bates Number Key 62,
		12	and it's a letter from EEOC to counsel for HMMA.
		13	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 15
		14	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		15	is attached hereto.)
		16	Q. Have you seen this document before?
		17	A. I have seen this document.
		18	Q. When did you first see this document?
		19	A. I saw this document yesterday.
		20	Q. On May 2nd, 2019, the EEOC wrote
		21	HMMA's representative that the evidence indicates
		22	that charging party was discharged in retaliation
		23	for engaging in a protected activity.
		262:01	Who outside of HMMA, if anyone, did
		02	HMMA notify that the EEOC had made this
		03	conclusion?
		04	A. To my knowledge, no one else except
		05	counsel.
99	262:11 - 264:11	262:11	Q. Sure. After HMMA got Exhibit 15, did
		12	it do anything in terms of how it followed its
		13	policies? Did it change anything?
		14	A. No.
		15	Q. After getting Exhibit 15, did it
		16	change anything about with whom it did business?
		17	A. No.
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		18	Q. Did the information from the EEOC
		19	that it was or that the investigator was going
		20	to recommend that a reasonable cause be issued,
		21	that Ms. Key had been discharged in retaliation
		22	for engaging in protected activity, did HMMA
		23	change anything about how it operated or did
		263:01	business in response to this letter?
		02	A. No.
		03	Q. I want to look next to Exhibit 16,
		04	which is Bates Numbers Key 64 to 66, which is a
		05	letter dated May 9th, 2019 from counsel for HMMA
		06	to the EEOC.
		07	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 16
		08	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		09	is attached hereto.)
		10	Q. Have you seen this document before?
		11	A. Yes, I quickly glanced at it
		12	yesterday.
		13	Q. Okay. And was Mr. Middlebrooks
		14	authorized by HMMA to speak on its behalf about
		15	this matter?
		16	A. Yes, he was.
		17	Q. And when this letter was submitted to
		18	the EEOC, was it done so by HMMA's agent?
		19	A. When you say agent
		20	Q. Yeah, was he somebody that was Mr.
		21	Middlebrooks somebody that HMMA had retained to
		22	speak on its behalf about Ms. Key's claims?
		23	A. He's yeah, he's representing HMMA
		264:01	on behalf of this claim, Mr. Middlebrooks is.
		02	Q. And does Exhibit 16 contain the
		03	reasons that HMMA was asking the EEOC to
		04	reconsider its decision?
		05	A. It does outline several reasons. I
		06	see here the errors, and there are a total of
		07	seven bullets or seven different items outlined
		08	in this letter, yes.
		09	Q. And HMMA would have provided the EEOC
		10	with all of its reasons that it needed to
		11	reconsider its decision in this letter?
100	264:14 - 264:20	264:14	A. It looks like Mr. Middlebrooks
		15	provided seven reasons for this the error for
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		16	the charge against HMMA.
		17	Q. There wouldn't be a reason for HMMA
		18	to withhold any other reasons it might want a
		19	reconsideration for inclusion in this letter, is
		20	there?
101	264:23 - 265:06	264:23	A. Just based on the information I'm
		265:01	reading here, Mr. Middlebrooks representing HMMA
		02	provided the information to say that the charge
		03	against HMMA was in error.
		04	Q. And if there was another reason that
		05	HMMA wanted the EEOC to reconsider, it would be
		06	included in Exhibit 16?
102	265:09 - 265:12	265:09	A. I believe based on the seven items
		10	that he's outlined in this letter, that
		11	determined why HMMA was not should not be
		12	charged.
103	265:15 - 265:15	265:15	A. As of the date of the letter.
	265:18 - 266:03	265:18	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 17
104	205:16 - 200:03	19	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		20	is attached hereto.)
		20	Q. Have you seen this determination
		22	issued by the EEOC before?
		23	A. I glanced at it yesterday, yes.
		266:01	Q. When did you first become aware that
		02	
		03	retaliation towards Ms. Key?
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105	266:06 - 267:21	266:06	Q. Sure. How did you when did you
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		08	determination adverse to HMMA?
		09	A. I don't remember the exact date, but
		10	to be more general and that's what I have to
		11	be, because I don't have an exact it would
		12	have been before this deposition. I just can't
		13	recall an exact date. I just five, six months
		14	or more. I really don't recall, but I was
		15	definitely made aware of it X number of months
		16	ago. I don't know an exact date.
		17	Q. And you were in your VP human
		18	resources role in June of 2019, correct?
		19	A. Yes.
		20	Q. But despite being VP of human

		21	resources in June of 2019 when this determination
		22	was issued, you weren't made aware of it until
		23	sometime this year in 2022?
		267:01	A. Again, I was speculating on exactly
		02	when, but the important point is this does not
		03	involve an HMMA team member.
		04	Q. That's not my question. You're the
		05	senior vice-president
		06	A. I'm giving you the response, because
		07	that's why I wouldn't have been informed until it
		08	was necessary to be involved with the case. So I
		09	would not have been informed, because it's not an
		10	HMMA team member.
		11	Q. You would agree the determination by
		12	the EEOC, though, is that HMMA's employment
		13	practices, in their view, may be violating
		14	statues?
		15	A. Based on the information provided by
		16	the equal employment commission letter, maybe,
		17	yeah.
		18	Q. And going back to the beginning of
		19	your deposition, you said it's their
		20	determination that would determine if a complaint
		21	was valid, correct?
106	267:23 - 268:09	267:23	A. Yeah, I recall saying something
		268:01	whether or not the EEO would determine whether
		02	or not we were at fault, and then we have a right
		03	to defend that, which Mr. Middlebrooks' letter
		04	that points out the seven different items that
		05	show they were in error.
		06	Q. In your role as vice-president of
		07	human resources, should you have been made aware
		08	that the EEOC had made a finding adverse to HMMA?
		09	A. If it involved a team member, yes.
107	269:07 - 269:12	269:07	Q. Isn't part of your job to make sure
		08	that HMMA complies with federal laws that deal
		09	with employment like Title VII?
		10	A. It is the responsibility of the
		11	entire organization to make sure we're in
		12	compliance with Title VII, not just myself.
108	285:05 - 285:13	285:05	Does the HMMA general affairs
		06	department get to direct what the duties of the
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		07	HMMA mailroom staff are?
		08	A. As we've talked about, general
		09	affairs is the one that has the interaction with
		10	Hyundai Engineering. And this looks like it's
		11	saying that the general affairs department would
		12	direct Hyundai Engineering to ask the mailroom
		13	individual to do other duties as required.
109	297:11 - 297:22	297:11	Q. Do you know when HMMA first saw a
		12	copy of the EEOC charge that Ms. Key filed
		13	against Dynamic Security?
		14	A. I suspect it's the same date as
		15	wherever that document is that was received by
		16	Chris Smith.
		17	Q. And the document that was received by
		18	Chris Smith was Ms. Key's complaint against HMMA?
		19	A. Uh-huh (positive response).
		20	Q. When did HMMA first see the complaint
		21	Ms. Key filed against Dynamic Security?
		22	A. That, I don't know.
110	299:08 - 301:04	299:08	Q. Exhibit 23 to your deposition is HEA
		09	215 through 216.
		10	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 23
		11	was marked for identification and a copy of same
		12	is attached hereto.)
		13	Q. Have you seen Plaintiff's Exhibit 23
		14	before?
		15	A. Yes, I reviewed this briefly
		16	yesterday.
		17	Q. Okay. And when we look at the e-mail
		18	at the top of Plaintiff's Exhibit 23, it's an
		19	e-mail sent from Chris Whitehead in HMMA's legal
		20	compliance department to Kristal Riddle at
		21	Dynamic Security and copying Cassandra Williams
		22	at HEA, correct?
		23	A. Yes.
		300:01	Q. And what does the subject matter of
		02	this e-mail concern?
		03	A. I'm reading it. Chris says: We just
		04	got a letter from EEOC indicating they intend to
		05	recommend a for cause determination against HMMA
		06	on the Davita Key charge. Have you heard
		07	anything back regarding the charge submitted

08	against Dynamic Security?
09	Q. Other than this e-mail exchange, are
10	there any other communications among the three
11	defendants to this lawsuit about Ms. Key's
12	pending EEOC claims?
13	A. I have no knowledge of any other
14	information being exchanged or e-mails.
15	Q. Are there any other e-mails in this
16	family of e-mails?
17	A. I have no knowledge of any other
18	e-mails.
19	Q. If they are, would they exist on
20	HMMA's server since at least two of the parties
21	to this e-mail exchange have @HMMAUSA.com e-mail
22	addresses?
23	A. As I stated before, I don't know
301:01	AutoEver IT group's record retention on e-mails.
02	So it's hard to say if there would be any record
03	of these extensive e-mails that you're looking
04	for. I have no knowledge.